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Subject: Azerbaijan Update

Good afternoon,

I wanted to share an article by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency titled "Azerbaijan's Jews postpone public Purim events in deference to national memorial day." The article notes that the Jewish holiday of Purim falls on the anniversary of the Khojaly Massacre, so leaders of the Jewish community in Azerbaijan postponed public celebrations until February 28. Rabbi Shneur Segal, the rabbi of Baku's Ashkenazi community and the top emissary of Chabad to Azerbaijan, said: "We are citizens of this multinational state, and as such, the Khojaly Massacre is also our tragedy. We mourn the loss of those peaceful Azerbaijanis who were cruelly murdered."

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best, Mark

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